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SUBJ: CAP FOR SOYBEANS

REF: STATE 78986, 78578, EC BRUSSELS 2268

1. EMBOFFS APPROACHED FONOFF SEC GEN HUGH MCCANN, FONOFF
EC SECTION OFFICER KIRWAN, AND AGRICULTURE ASST SEC
O' MAHONEY SEPARATELY ON APRIL 27 TO EXPRESS US CONCERN
RE POSSIBLE EC CAP FOR SOYBEANS AND TAXES ON VEGETABLE
OIL AND MARGARINE. WE STRESSED SERIOUSLY ADVERSE
REACTION EC ACTION ALONG SUCH LINES WOULD HAVE IN U. S.
IN VIEW US TRADE IMBALANCE, AND AT A TIME WHEN
ADMINISTRATION WAS SEEKING BROAD AND LIBERAL TRADE
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NEGOTIATING MANDATE FROM CONGRESS.

2. FONOFF OFFICIALS WERE UNINFORMED ABOUT PROPOSAL AND NON-COMMITTAL, ALTHOUGH THEY EXPRESSED UNDERSTANDING FOR OUR POSITION. O' MAHONEY SAID HE UNDERSTOOD OUR CONCERN, BUT THOUGHT IT WAS UNWARRANTED. HE DID NOT BELIEVE PROPOSALS WOULD COME UP OR, IF THEY DID COME, THAT THEY WOULD PROSPER. HE PROMISED PASS OUR REPRESENTATIONS ON TO AGRICULTURE MINISTER CLINTON.

3. COMMENT: IF FRENCH WIN OVER ADDITIONAL EC EMBMER SUPPORT FOR PROPOSALS, WE BELIEVE GOI MIGHT WELL TO ALONG WITH DEVELOPMENT OF SOYBEAN CAP, ALTHOUGH IT IS NOT IN IRISH INTEREST. AS BUTTER PRODUCER, IRELAND WOULD ALSO FAVOR MARGARINE TAX. HOWEVER, IF PROPOSALS LACK SIGNIFICANT EC SUPPORT, IRISH UNLIKELY TAKE ACTIVE ROLE FOR OR AGAINST THEM.
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